Recommendations of Committee on Capita) Formation in Agriculture

600. SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether an eight member expert Committee on capital formation in agriculture has been set up by Government to look into the problem of drop in real investment in this sector; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the recommendations of the Committee, if any?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. An eight member committee on capital formation has been set up by the Ministry of Agriculture in April, 2001 to examine and recommend procedures for a proper assessment of capital formation in agriculture.The committee is engaged in the deliberations and the recommendations will be known after the committee finalises its report.

Horticulture Research Centre in NER

601. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of scheme formulated by Government to set up Horticulture Research Centre in North Eastern Region; and

(b) the details of amount spent on the said schemes during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) The details of Horticulture schemes in operation in North-Eastern Region (NER) are as under:—

1. NRC for Orchids, Sikkim
2. CPCRI Regional Station, Kahikuchi
3. CPRI Regional Station, Shillong
4. AICRP (Palm), Kahikuchi
5. AICRP (Betelvine), Jorhat